

LARRABEE & HINGSTON COMPANY, LUMBER STORAGE SHED #1
19 Howely Street
Peabody
Essex County
Massachusetts

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PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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Location: 19 Howley Street
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USGS Quadrangle: Salem, MA UTM: 19.342400.4709500

Date of Construction: ca. 1920

Engineer/Architect: Unknown

Present Owner: The Stop & Shop Supermarket Company

Present Occupants: Vacant

Present Use: Not in use

Significance: The Larrabee & Hingston Company Lumber Storage Shed #1 (ca.1920) is significant for its association with Peabody's most important historic industry, the tanning of animal hides. Lumber Drying Shed #1 was an important component of a support/service industry complex associated with the area tanning industry. Larrabee & Hingston, founded in 1931, was a custom builder of wooden tanning vessels and was the last such facility in the Northeast when it closed in 1997.

Project Information Statement:

Stop & Shop's project to construct a commercial building requires a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District (Corps). After review of plans, the Corps and Massachusetts State Historic Preservation Office (MASHPO) determined that the proposed undertaking will have an adverse effect through demolition of a National Register-eligible historic property. The Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) entered into by Stop & Shop, the MASHPO, and the Corps includes recordation of the Larrabee & Hingston Company to Historic American Engineering Record standards prior to demolition.

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PART I DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

The Larrabee & Hingston Company Lumber Storage Shed #1 (ca. 1920), is located to the south of the Lumber Drying Shed (HAER No. MA-149-B) in the Larrabee & Hingston Company complex. It is a 45-by-27-ft, one-story, three-bay, timber frame structure with an asphalt roll-covered shed roof, sided with vertical boards. The structure rests on a high poured concrete foundation. The west elevation includes three vertical board bay doors which slide horizontally on an overhead rail mounted underneath the roof overhang. The interior is open in plan. A two-seater privy is located in the northeast corner.

PART II HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Larrabee & Hingston Company Lumber Storage Shed #1 was constructed ca.1920, in the last years of ownership of the property by Aaron F. Clark's Lumber Yard. The building was used for the storage of lumber used in the manufacture of Larrabee & Hingston's wooden tanning drums and tubs.

PART III SOURCES OF INFORMATION

A. Engineering Drawings

None located.

B. Historic Views

None located.

C. Interviews

Buckley, Steven, former Larrabee & Hingston employee and Hingston family member. Interview by Matthew Kierstead, 28 June 1995, Peabody. Tape recording on file at The Public Archaeology Laboratory, Inc., Pawtucket, RI.

Hingston, Steven, Shop Superintendent, Larrabee & Hingston Company. Conversations with Matthew Kierstead, 28 and 30 June 1995, Peabody, MA.

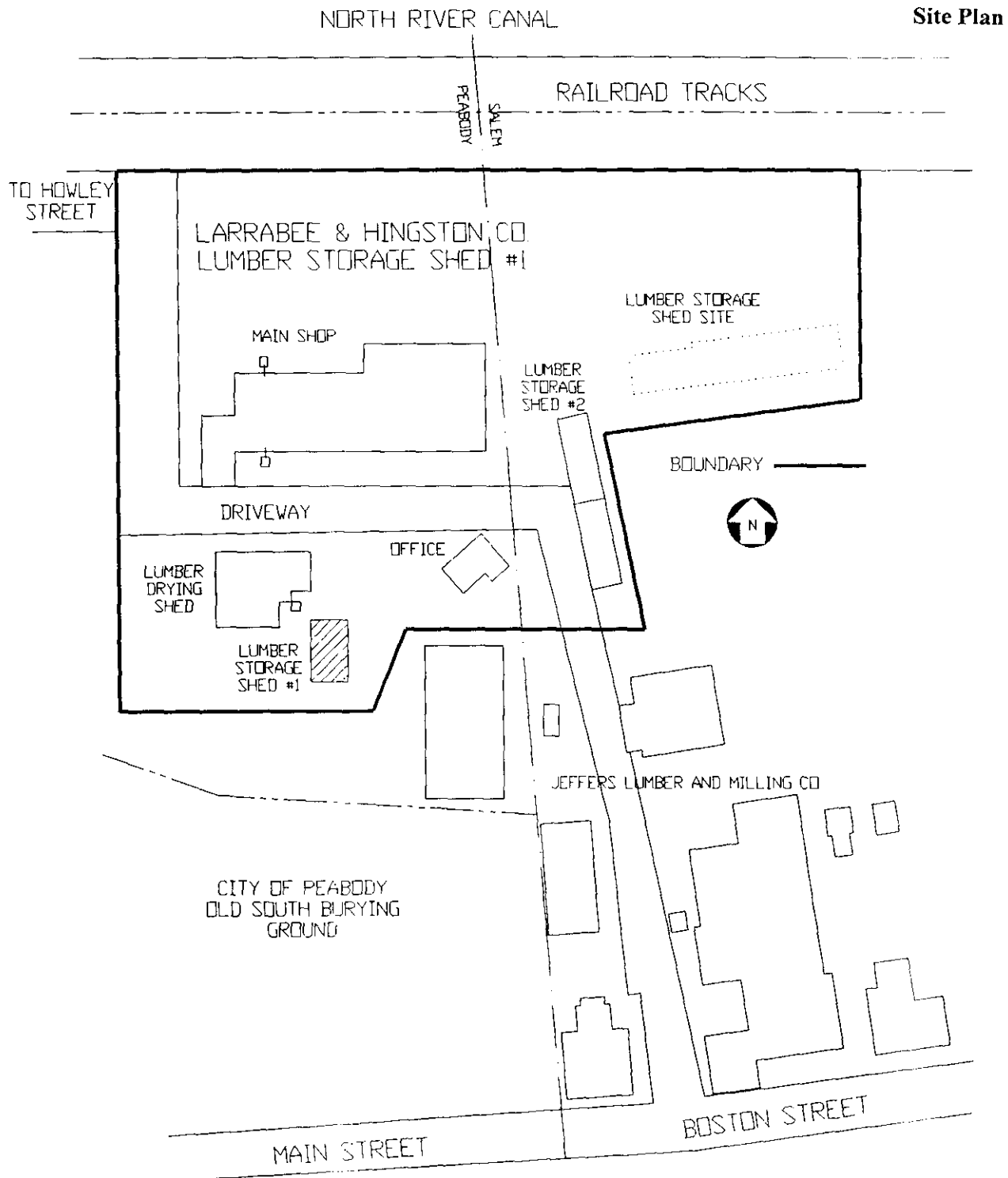
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D. Bibliography

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Existing Floor Plan, 1998

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